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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

ISAAC M. WOO

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 19 December 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 27-49 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 27-49 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/06)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. In view of the "BPAI Decision Examiner Reversed", on March 25, 2009, PROSECUTION IS HEREBY REOPENED, set forth below.

To avoid abandonment of the application, appellant must exercise one of the following two options:

(1) file a reply under 37 CFR 1.111 (if this Office action is non-final) or a reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (if this Office action is final); or,

(2) initiate a new appeal by filing a notice of appeal under 37 CFR 41.31 followed by an appeal brief under 37 CFR 41.37. The previously paid notice of appeal fee and appeal brief fee can be applied to the new appeal. If, however, the appeal fees set forth in 37 CFR 41.20 have been increased since they were previously paid, then appellant must pay the difference between the increased fees and the amount previously paid.

Claims 27-49 are pending.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

3. Claims 27-49 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Robertson (U.S. Patent No. 6,269,369).

With respect to claims 27, 35 and 43, Robertson teaches an engine (i.e., PIM, personal information manager, 124 in fig. 1, and 376 in fig. 5, col. 1, lines 4-43, col. 4, lines 46-59) configured to determine an identity of a first party (i.e., user B's computer (client computer B) in fig. 14) to be provided personal information (i.e., user A's address change in fig. 14), determine whether a selected field of the personal information of a second party (i.e., client computer A in fig. 14) can be provided to the first party (i.e., user A's address change is downloaded to user B's computer (client computer B) in fig. 14), and provide the selected field (see also Fig. 9, col. 9, lines 40-43, "who lives in a particular city..") of the personal information of the second party to the first party (i.e., personal information (address change field) of user A is downloaded into client computer B in fig. 14, col. 16, lines 1-21) and database configured to store at least one field of the personal information (i.e., downloaded personal information of user A from client computer A is stored on client computer B in 390 (local PIM database) in fig. 5 col. 4, lines 46-59, fig. 14, col. 16, lines 1-21).

With respect to claims 28, 36 and 44, Robertson teaches determine whether the selected field of the personal information of the second party can be provided to the first

party using a unique identifier of the second party (fig. 5 col. 4, lines 46-59, fig. 14, col. 16, lines 1-21).

With respect to claims 29, 37 and 45, Robertson teaches determine whether the selected field of the personal information of the second party can be provided to the first party using a unique identifier of the first party (col. 5, lines 5-64).

With respect to claims 30, 38 and 46, Robertson teaches receive a message indicating a request from the first party for the selected field of the personal information of the second party and to process the message to provide the selected field of the personal information to the first party (col. 5, lines 5-64).

With respect to claims 31, 39 and 47, Robertson teaches receive a message indicating a request from the second party for the selected field of the personal information of the second party and to process the message to provide the selected field of the personal information to the first party (col. 4, lines 46-59, fig. 14, col. 16, lines 1-21).

With respect to claims 32, 40 and 48, Robertson teaches process one or more customized fields of the personal information received from the second party (col. 4, lines 46-59, fig. 14, col. 16, lines 1-21).

With respect to claims 33 and 42, Robertson teaches receive a permission from the second party, to determine whether the selected field can be provided to the first party based on permission (fig. 3, col. 2, lines 5-45).

With respect to claims 34 and 41, Robertson teaches receive a defined period of time that indicates how long to share the selected field (col. 5, lines 40-51, col. 7, lines 1-19).

With respect to claim 49, Robertson teaches transmit a message to one or more third parties when the selected field is updated, where the selected field can be provided to the one or more third parties (i.e., personal digital assistant (PDA), 750, fig. 14, col. 16, lines 1-21).

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ISAAC M. WOO whose telephone number is (571)272-4043. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hosain T. Alam can be reached on (571) 272-3978. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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